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Group: 2643

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REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.26

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request refund of \$1810.00, which was charged twice to Applicants' Attorney's Deposit Account No. 08-0380; once on June 30, 2005, and once on July 11, 2005 for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Petition for three-month extension in the above-identified application.

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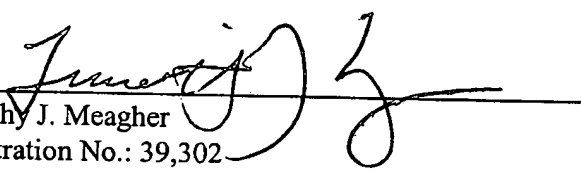
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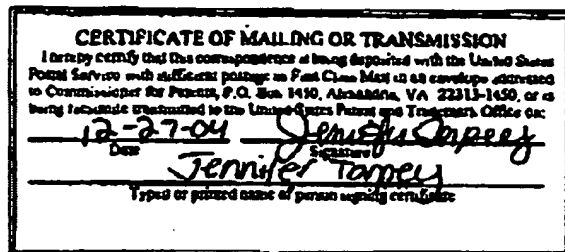
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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated June 25, 2004 for three months, from September 25, 2004 to December 25, 2004 under 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

The Applicant is not filing a Notice of Appeal at this time but is filing an Amendment and a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

	Small Entity	Other than Small Entity
1 month -	\$ 60	\$ 120
2 months -	\$ 225	\$ 450
3 months -	\$ 510	X \$1,020
4 months -	\$ 795	\$1,590
5 months -	\$1,080	\$2,160

☐ A check is enclosed in the amount of the extension fee indicated above, or the extension fee has been included in the check with the accompanying Reply.

☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover the cost of the extension fee.

Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this letter is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 133, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Invention Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application Number	09/477,700
Filing Date	January 6, 2000
Confirmation Number	9604
First Named Inventor	Walter P. Sjurzen
Group Art Unit	2643
Examiner Name	Tuan D. Nguyen
Attorney Docket Number	2506 1008-001

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/C9) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000). Internal Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ☐ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ☐
- iii. ☐ Other - ☐
- b. ☐ Please do not enter the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ☐
- c. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time - three month(s) with copy
- v. ☐ Other - ☐

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ☐ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other - ☐

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☐ A check is enclosed for the following fees in the total amount of \$ ☐
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- ☒ Authorization is granted to charge the following fees in the total amount of \$1,810.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this document is enclosed for accounting purposes
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
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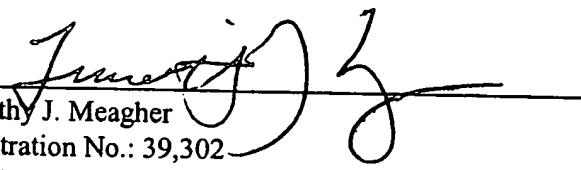
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